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SUBJECT: IRISH FISHERY PROTECTION VESSEL FIRES WARNING SHOTS AT
FRENCH TRAWLER

REF.A) DUBLIN 363, B) DUBLIN 551 (NOTAL)

1. ACCORDING TO PRESS REPORTS THE IRISH FISHERY PROTECTION VESSEL "GRAINNE" FIRED WARNING SHOTS OF TRACER BULLETS AT THE FRENCH TRAWLER "NEIZ BIHAN" DURING A FIVE-MILE CHASE EVENING MARCH 29. ONE TRACER BULLET STRUCK THE BOW OF THE FRENCH TRAWLER. THE FRENCH TRAWLER WAS ALLEGEDLY WITHIN THE 6-MILE LIMIT. DURING A SPECIAL SITTING OF THE GALWAY DISTRICT COURT, THE TRAWLER CAPTAIN, WHO PLEADED GUILTY, WAS FINED A TOTAL OF 200 POUNDS - 100 FOR ENTERING UNLAWFULLY THE 6-MILE LIMIT, 50 FOR NEGLECTING TO STOP WHEN ORDERED TO DO SO BY THE "GRAINNE" AND 50 FOR HAVING UNDERSIZED FISH.

2. THIS INCIDENT, ADMITTEDLY MINOR, COMES ON THE EVE OF AN EXPECTED CABINET DECISION ON HOW TO RESPOND TO THE LATEST EC COMMISSION
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PROPOSALS ON THE IRISH FISHERIES ISSUE. FOLLOWING THE FAILURE TO REACH AGREEMENT IN BRUSSELS LAST WEEKEND IRISH FISHERIES MINISTER DONEGAN ANNOUNCED HE WOULD DISCUSS WITH HIS CABINET COLLEAGUES THE APPROPRIATE STEPS TO TAKE. TWO POSSIBLE COURSES OF ACTION WERE ENVISAGED. THE FIRST WAS TO GO AHEAD WITH UNILATERAL MEASURES PREVIOUSLY AUTHORIZED BY THE IRISH UNILATERAL CONSERVATION MEASURES SO THAT THEY WOULD BE IN KEEPING WITH SUGGESTIONS MADE BY THE

COMMISSION. IT IS EXPECTED THAT A DECISION WILL BE TAKEN BY
THE IRISH CABINET EITHER MARCH 31 OR APRIL 1. CURLEY

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